

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. c. 12C and in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, as amended, the Center for Health Information and Analysis (“Center”) will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, June 3, 2014 at 10:00 A.M. at Two Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02116 relative to the proposal of regulation:

### 957 CMR 7.00: Nursing Facilities Cost Reporting Requirements

The proposed regulation, effective July 4, 2014, sets forth the filing requirements, procedures and time frames for nursing facilities to report their costs and other data to the Center. The regulation requires nursing facilities, except hospital-based nursing facilities, to file their cost reports by April 1<sup>st</sup> of each year for the prior calendar year. Hospital-based nursing facilities are required to file their cost reports no later than 90 days after the close of the hospital’s fiscal year. The proposed nursing facility cost reporting requirements remain largely unchanged from those currently in effect and there are no new or additional reporting requirements.

The Center is proposing this regulation in order to implement the requirements of M.G.L. c. 12C which directs the Center to collect cost reports and other data from health care providers. It is anticipated that nursing facilities will incur no additional administrative costs to comply with these reporting requirements. There is no fiscal impact on cities and towns and no fiscal impact on small businesses.

Individuals that notify the Center of their intent to testify at the hearing will be afforded an earlier opportunity to speak. Speakers may notify the Center of their intention to testify at the hearing by registering online at [www.mass.gov/chia/regulations](http://www.mass.gov/chia/regulations). Individuals may also submit written testimony by emailing [CHIA-Regulations@state.ma.us](mailto:CHIA-Regulations@state.ma.us). Please submit electronic testimony as an attached Word document or as text within the body of the email with the name of the regulation in the subject line. All submissions must include the sender’s full name and address. Individuals who are unable to submit testimony by email should mail written testimony to the Center for Health Information and Analysis, Two Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02116-4704. Written testimony must be submitted by 5:00 P.M. on Friday, June 13, 2014. Copies of the regulation are available for inspection and/or purchase at the Center for Health Information and Analysis or may be viewed at the Center’s website at [www.mass.gov/chia/regulations](http://www.mass.gov/chia/regulations).